



Tomorrow, and every Sunday, Polly Perkins, will appear in adventures rare and strange. I like Washington — so does all my family. They all thank you. Au revoir until tomorrow. Affectionately, POLLY PERKINS

## ALLIES SAVAGELY ASSAULT FOES ON MACEDONIA FRONT

LONDON, Sept. 1.—While bad weather continues to retard in the west, savage fighting was reported from the Italian, eastern, and Macedonian fronts today.

Despite the terrific heat prevailing in Macedonia, powerful British and Serbian assaults were launched against the Bulgarian-German center. They were preceded by violent drum fire, which, at points on the Tcherina river, reached an intensity hitherto unknown on that front.

That the lull in the fighting around Riga, at the northern end of the eastern front, did not mean a complete suspension of the German offensive, was indicated by advances from Petrograd today. These dispatches reported a renewal of the cannonading in that district and the presence of numerous German warships at the entrance to the Gulf of Riga, indicating that a concerted land and sea attack may be contemplated.

The fifth day of the furious struggle for possession of the Bainsza plateau, on the Italian front, and the re-enforced Austro-Hungarian and Italian armies locked in a death grip along its eastern rim.

While the Italian infantry attacked, more than 200 aeroplanes raided the military establishments behind the Austro-Hungarian lines, dropping tons of explosives.

Hard fighting rages around San Gabriele mountain, where the Italians have made a fresh gain.

## ITALIANS DRIVE AHEAD ALONG 70-MILE FRONT

The Italian offensive continues in full force along the seventy-mile front, according to Rome cables received today.

General Cadorna said: "The battle of the last eleven days is the greatest war action developed on any front in Europe."

The Italians continue their attack on the Hermada, while the fate of the Austrian fleet trapped at Pola is still unknown here.

## PERSHING TAKES UP QUARTERS IN FIELD

PARIS, Sept. 1.—Gen. John J. Pershing, commanding the American fighting forces in France, and his personal staff moved into their new headquarters today. The headquarters are centrally located and control the entire American line of communication.

General Pershing's quarters and the barracks are being lent to the Americans by the French. While the offices in the city formerly used by the Americans have been abandoned as headquarters, they will be retained of debarcation and field headquarters.

**TROOPS GET FAREWELL PURSE.**

MAHANOY CITY, Pa., Sept. 1.—Company E, Eighth Infantry, Mahanoy City's soldier sons, who volunteered for service in France, was given a rousing farewell parade here. A community flag, carried by stalwart firemen, was half filled with money tossed into it by spectators along the route. The money will be used for the company's commissary.

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## ARMY BEHIND U. S. FIGHTERS ABROAD NEEDS LABOR MOST

ON THE LINE OF COMMUNICATIONS OF THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Sept. 1.—The army behind America's fighting army needs men and supplies. It is tackling the stupendous job of supplying the fighting forces with scanty stores of labor and material.

Throughout a trip "along the line of communications," the most frequent assertion encountered from army men was:

"Some one is asleep at home. The army needs masses of labor, and especially carpenters and joiners—and vast supplies of all description. Now is the time to send them, when transportation of troops is not occupying the bulk of the tonnage."

Only a Framework.

After six months the rear organization of the American army is a mere framework. The fighting men are physically and mentally almost ready to fight, but a tour of hundreds of miles of the American bases gives the striking impression that the rear organizations are far behind their combatant brothers.

For instance, a certain base bakery is of makeshift appearance. It shows a couple of rows of field ovens. The bakers until a few days ago lived in tents. The flour supply looks big to the casual observer, though the towering flour sacks dwindle into mole hills in comparison with the amount every army officer knows must be constantly forthcoming.

**Food Magazine Small.**

A hard working reserve captain showed a correspondent over the food magazine—from which he is constantly drawing. The magazine is only fair-sized, and yet it is less than half filled. The French female labor is doing steevedore work for this American army in the rear, trundling crates of canned food and supplies, because of the shortage of American military labor.

The American medical base is apparently the only one that has benefited to the full possibilities of the war. It has sufficient supplies and personnel to cope with extraordinary casualties and illnesses for three months. However, shortage and cramping here is causing a big portion of valuable medical supplies to be housed in unwarmed and unfloored sheds.

Scores of patriotic alert young Americans are training at French air schools hoping to obtain repatriation and join the American forces when they attain proficiency in the air.

## VICTORIA CROSS IS AWARDED AMERICAN

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Sept. 1.—John Carroll, of Mishawaka, so far as is known, is the first American to receive the Victoria Cross. He is at the front with the Canadian army. He is twenty-five years old.

The London Daily Mirror says: "During an attack immediately after the barrage lifted, Private John Carroll rushed the enemy's trench and bayoneted four of the enemy. He then noticed a comrade in difficulties and at once proceeded to his assistance and killed one of the enemy. He continued working ahead with great determination until he came across a machine gun and team of four men. Single handed he attacked the entire team, killing three of them and capturing the gun."

The food grains in their most alluring form  
**Grape-Nuts**  
The Economical Cereal

## EUROPEAN WAR NEWS SUMMARY

Opinion in Petrograd, according to the latest official report of the Russian war office, appears to be that the Germans have in contemplation a new offensive operation against Riga, and possibly even against the Russian capital itself. This opinion is based on the observance of considerable naval and aerial activity off the entrance of the Gulf of Riga and also along the outer, or western, reaches of the Gulf of Finland.

It would appear that the Russian apprehension concerning an attack on Petrograd is quite as unfounded now as it was something over a week ago, when the German land forces began an advance west of Riga. The activity noted near the entrance of the Gulf of Finland, at whose eastern end lie Cronstadt and the capital, was that of airplanes alone, which dropped bombs on some of the island harbors. This was apparently merely an adjunct of the operations from the sea against the Gulf of Riga works.

Destroyers, mine-sweepers, submarines, and airplanes participated in the German attacks on the islands near the Gulf of Riga. Part of the Russian Baltic fleet lies in Riga harbor, part of it lies in the harbor of Helsinki, capital of Finland, on the northern side of the Gulf of Finland while the great part of the fleet lies in the harbor of Cronstadt. The German mine-sweepers were busy at the entrance of the Gulf of Riga and the destroyers and submarines were apparently merely a supporting force.

Assuming that the Russian land and sea forces in the Riga region can be depended upon to offer a determined and sustained defense, a combined sea and land attack by the Germans would be as difficult now as it has always proved heretofore. The city is guarded from the sea by a number of strongly fortified islands. The channel is narrow and intricately mined. While the outer mines may be more or less easily removed, the inner protection would bring German mine-sweepers and their support within range of Russian land and naval guns.

On the land side, the Germans are twenty miles west of Riga and the Russians are aligned across the narrow strip of territory between the Tirlu marsh and the inland sea of Lake Babit on the one hand, and the Gulf of Riga on the other.

On the Roumanian front, evidences accumulate that the forces of Archduke Joseph of Austria and Field Marshal Mackensen, in Moldavia, have attempted more than they could accomplish. There are reports at hand that Von Mackensen has called for large reinforcements which, in the face of the German situation in France and Flanders, will be extremely difficult to supply. The Austrians have been put to it, in the face of the Italian offensive, to assign the Polish troops to the Galician front, a hazardous proceeding, in view of Polish national sympathies.

The official Russian report states that violent German and Austrian attacks in the Trotus valley were sanguinarily checked. On Von Mackensen's front, south of the Trotus valley, repeated German attacks were also repulsed with heavy German losses. The German official report significantly makes no mention whatever of these engagements.

On the Italian front, the Forces of General Cadorna are apparently making ready for fresh assaults on the Austrian positions both on the Isonzo and the Carso lines. They have consolidated their gains and, on the Isonzo front, are engaged in moving against the fortresses of Monte San Gabriele and Monte San Daniele. These must be reduced before safe progress can be continued along the Chiapovano valley, to the northeast. On the Carso front, renewed operations against the great Hermada fortress may be expected shortly.

Heavy weather on the fronts in France and Flanders has restricted operations. The Germans made isolated attacks against the British positions on the lower sector of the Arras front, but were driven back. Artillery fire is the only activity noted north of Verdun.

## BRITISH CHANGE TITLE OF JEWISH REGIMENT

LONDON, Sept. 1.—A deputation of prominent English Jews, headed by Lord Swaythling, has visited the Earl of Derby, secretary for war, says the Daily Mail, and urged abandonment of the title "Jewish Regiment," which had been adopted for the Hebrew regiment recently organized. The deputation argued that 40,000 Jews now serving in the army were fighting not as Jews, but as British subjects, and wished to continue to do so. Lord Derby has agreed to the abandonment of the title and promised to give the regiment a new designation.

The Daily Mail adds that the decision was received with great regret by the promoters and organizers of the regiment.

**AUSTRALIA BANS I. W. W.**

LONDON, Sept. 1.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Melbourne says the government has declared the Industrial Workers of the World, which was endeavoring to foment strikes and blow up various works, an illegal organization. Eight members of the organization have been sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

## HIGHEST PAID SCHOOL HEAD BARS GERMAN

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Sept. 1.—Dr. Frank E. Spaulding today became superintendent of Cleveland's schools. One of the first accomplishments of administration will be the elimination of the study of German from the grammar grades.

Spaulding will be paid \$12,000 a year—the largest salary of any school superintendent in America. He came here from Minneapolis. He demanded and has been given a free hand here, such as he had in Minneapolis.

The new superintendent promises red-blooded Americanism as one of the cardinal principles of his administration. He has personally read each text-book, searching out all germs of pro-Germanism that may have crept in.

**ESPERANTISTS TO MEET.**

The Esperantists of Washington will hold a reunion tomorrow in Zoological Park in honor of Arnold Vogel, of Philadelphia, an officer of the order. Requests have been sent out by the local officers, asking all members to meet at the main entrance to Zoological Park on Connecticut avenue at 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Entertainment will be provided.

## MISS STINSON NEAR DEATH AS 900-MILE AIR FLIGHT HALTS

PORTER, Ind., Sept. 1.—Miss Katherine Stinson narrowly escaped death today when her aeroplane, in which she was attempting a Chicago to New York flight, developed engine trouble. Alighting in a field near here, her machine struck a telephone pole, crushing one of the wings. She was unhurt.

"I had spark plug trouble," Miss Stinson said over the telephone from a Porter hotel shortly after landing. "I am very sorry to disappoint the people, but I will not try it again until my machine is in perfect condition."

"I shall ship my machine back to Chicago today and start from there again. I don't know when I'll start. Whenever conditions are perfect I'll make another try."

Miss Stinson was considerably excited and upset by the weakness which her plane developed. She plans to make a non-stop flight and beat the record of Miss Ruth Law if she can.

Miss Stinson started from Grant Park. Two or three hundred persons were up at the hour to wish her luck. For several days she had gone early to the park, ready for a start if conditions of wind and weather were favorable.

She will wait for a west wind before making another try.

## KNIVES BETWEEN TEETH, ITALIANS STRIKE TERROR

ROME, Sept. 1.—Italian soldiers fighting in the Bainsizza plateau sector of the Isonzo front struck terror into the hearts of the Austro-Hungarians by charging with knives held between their teeth, according to statements made today by wounded men sent to the rear.

The Iron Division, the most famous unit of the Austro-Hungarian army, has been so badly shattered that it has been sent to the rear for reorganization.

## GARFIELD SHELVES COAL FOR NEW GRANDCHILD

A new granddaughter supplanted coal as the chief interest of Dr. Harry A. Garfield, Coal Administrator today. Together with Mrs. Garfield, Dr. Garfield left for New York to spend the holidays entertaining a newly arrived granddaughter.

It was announced at the office of the Coal Administration that Dr. Garfield would not act in the matter of coal until next week at least.

## CLERGYMAN REPUDIATES CONFESSION OF KILLINGS

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, Sept. 1.—The Rev. Lynn C. Kelly, who, authorities announced, confessed to the eight Villisca ax murders, today repudiated his confession.

Kelly's attorney declared an alleged confession was wrung from him after he had been browbeaten for eight hours, and threats had been made to hang him.

In announcing the confession, the sheriff declared it was made voluntarily and without third-degree methods.

## GREATEST SWIMMERS IN WORLD RACE TOMORROW

HONOLULU, H. I., Sept. 1.—The world's greatest swimmers will participate in the Hawaiian swimming championship meeting to begin here tomorrow. Norman Ross is entered in all events from 100 yards up to the half mile.

In the 100-yard straightaway he will attempt to wrest from Duke Kahanamoku, Hawaiian crack, the latter's world championship. Kahanamoku's record is 53 1-5 seconds.

## Thousand Marines Go Month Without A Single Offense

PORT ROYAL, S. C., Sept. 1.—A thousand recruits undergoing intensive training at the Marine Corps recruit depot here went through the month of August with a perfect conduct record. There was not a single offender against the regulations, a report to headquarters states.

"The lads realize that each has a man's duty to perform," said Major Gen. George Barnett, commanding the "soldiers of the navy," and they go about their work grimly. I am proud of them—every one."

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It is evident that robbery was the motive for the murder, because of the fact that Captain Messick, before being slain, had in his possession the amount he had received for two boat-loads of railroad ties, which he had delivered within the last two weeks, having piled twice between Jones Wharf and Norfolk. This money, with other money Messick was known to have, was missing. His pockets were turned inside out.

Besides a wife, Captain Messick leaves four small children.

## THIRD OF PERSHING'S AMMUNITION FAULTY

One-third of the rifle ammunition supplied to General Pershing's expedition proved faulty, it was learned officially today.

When originally tested at the Frankford arsenal, Philadelphia, where it was made, the lot was good. Deterioration afterward rendered the cartridges useless.

The deterioration was due to use of impure domestic potassium chlorate, as the supply of German potassium has been exhausted. The new quantity was found to contain by-products which reacted to form an acid and prevent explosion. As soon as this difficulty was noticed, the ordnance department obtained chemically pure potassium chlorate and has had no further trouble since.

## SEEK REPATRIATION OF CALIFORNIA WIDOW

Senator Phelan and Representative Baker of California today introduced bills authorizing the restoration to full citizenship of Mrs. Clara Elizabeth Huntington Hatzfeldt, daughter of the late Col. C. P. Huntington. Since the death of her husband, an Englishman, Mrs. Hatzfeldt is very anxious to return to the United States.

## FRENCH ATTACK AGAIN ON 'THE LADIES' ROAD'

BERLIN, VIA LONDON, Sept. 1.—Strong French attacks near Hurtelise farm along the Chemin des Dames were reported by the war office today. The French were thrown back by counterattacks, the statement said. "Desperate fighting continued throughout the night. A number of prisoners were taken."

## OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS FRENCH

PARIS, Sept. 1.—A new and powerful offensive movement north of the Aisne river has brought important gains to the French.

Northwest of Hurtelise farm the French, by a powerful thrust, penetrated German positions to a depth of 30 yards over a front of 1,500 yards, the war office announced today.

All of the objectives of the French were obtained.

Three strong German counterattacks were delivered, but the French maintained all their gains.

The infantry fighting followed a violent duel with the big guns which had been in progress along the Aisne river front for about a week.

## BODY OF CAPTAIN, AX IN FOREHEAD, FOUND IN POTOMAC

LEONARDTOWN, Md., Sept. 1.—The body of Capt. Elmer C. Messick, forty-two years old, of the three-masted schooner Matilda L., was found floating in the Potomac river off Jones wharf, St. Mary's county, yesterday by his brother, Harry Messick, of Benedict. The captain had been missing since Tuesday night. Buried in Messick's forehead was a small ax.

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## WANT 500,000 POCKET BIBLES FOR SOLDIERS

Every available pocket-size Bible in the United States has been bought up by the religious forces which work with the United States army. Still, 500,000 more pocket volumes are vitally needed.

That was the word that came to Washington today through F. M. Harris, of the Association Press of New York, Bible publishers.

## SCIENTISTS ISOLATE BABY PARALYSIS GERM

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 1.—Isolation of the germ of infantile paralysis was announced today by investigators who have been working in the laboratories of the Philadelphia Jewish Hospital. Their discovery confirms results obtained at the Rockefeller Institute in 1913.

## THIS WAY

Follow the crowd to the biggest theatrical advertisement ever printed. It tells you all about "EXPERIENCE" at the Belasco Theater, the greatest American play.

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